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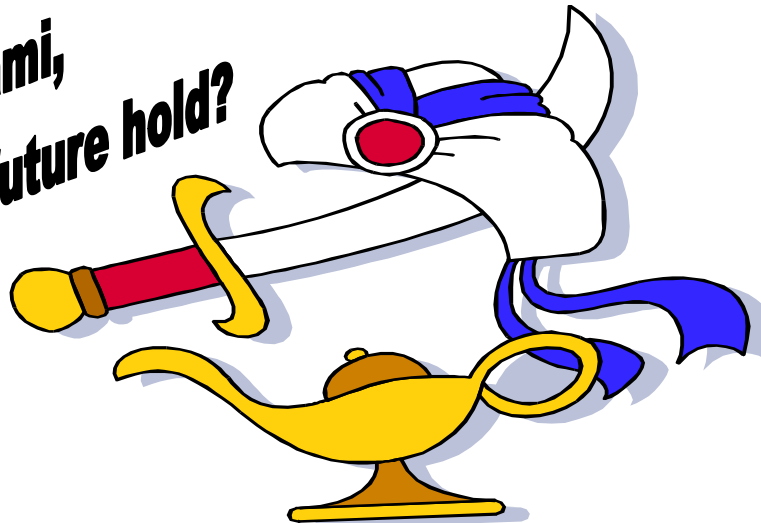
Oh Swami, what does the future hold?

WITS2001

DTS-W WITS2001 TRANSITION TEAM

On Thursday, 29 June 2000, the DTS-W Transition Team attended the GSA WITS2001 Executive Briefing and Educational Seminar/Kick-Off Meeting. The briefing included remarks from GSA's Commissioner of Federal Technology Service and the President of Bell Atlantic Federal. The WITS 2001 Executive Overview was presented by GSA's Assistant Regional Administrator, Assistant Commissioner, USDA's Acquisition Oversight Council (one of DTS-W's former Deputy Directors), and Bell Atlantic's Vice President of Sales and Marketing. GSA's Network Services Division Director and the Transition and Implementation Team provided contract highlights. The Educational Seminar included opportunities to attend briefings/demonstrations on topics such as Transition to WITS2001, Service@ Once/Bill @Once, Professional and Support Services, Conferencing Systems and Networking/Emerging Technologies.

In addition to the Transition Team, DTS-W's Director, senior management staff, Account Managers, representatives from the Resource Division, TSCOs and existing GSA WITS customers were also in attendance.

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Enclosed with this edition of the Defense Telecommunications Service – Washington Newsletter is information from the Bell Atlantic Operating Systems Control (BAOSC) User Group (BUG) entitled the "BAOSC Corner". This information along with the information included in the Newsletter may impact your telecommunication services. Please retain copies of the Newsletter for your reference. To ensure that the Newsletter remains informative, we ask that you submit questions, comments, or any information wished to be included to Defense Telecommunication Service – Washington (DTS-W) Plans and Operations Branch. Electronic responses may be submitted to **petersrm@dtsw.army.mil** or Ms. Renee Peters @ 703 696-7880. Look for us at our website: **www.dtsw.army.mil**

Comments can also be mailed   to:
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You are invited to attend…..

WITS2001 Briefing!

Friday, September 15, 2000
Holiday Inn Rosslyn WestPark
1900 N Fort Myer Drive
Arlington, VA 22209

8am-12noon

Take the Blue/Orange(Vienna or Springfield) Line to Rosslyn, exiting @ N Ft Myer Dr, turn right, travel 1/2 block to hotel on left. Complimentary parking is also available. (See www.mapquest.com/www.mapblast.com for driving directions)

For Registration, contact Plans Br., (703) 696-7880 or email renee.peters@dtsw.army.mil

Discussion: TBA

Service@Once

BAOSC (Bell Atlantic Operating System Control) is being upgraded to a new system called Service@Once. Service@Once is currently used at the Department of Justice and will be implemented for DTS-W customer use with the WITS2001 contract in October 2000. Service@Once is an easy to use graphical interface, which utilizes drop down menus, point and click technology and a very robust on-line help program. Included in future releases, will be the ability to order data services, including T1, PRI, ATM, and Frame Relay.

Audio Conferencing Services

On 1 December 1999, Operator Services began using a new Compunetix Mini-Contex conference bridge. It is an enhancement to our new Call Attendant Operator System (CAOS).

Using the new system is as easy as one, two, three. **1st,** to schedule a conference call, dial (703) 545-6700. **2nd**, to dial into a conference call, dial (703) 588-2000 and **3rd**, to set up your own conference call using the automated Interactive Voice Response, dial (703) 588-2225.

For help or additional information, please contact either Ms. Nikki Lott at (703)588-2213, email **nikki.lott@dtsw.army.mil** or Ms. Linda Potter-Bey at (703)588-2224, e-mail **linda.potter-bey@dtsw.army.mil**

Delivery Order Close-Out

DTS-W is working fast to close out Delivery Orders (DO) for FY's 1996 & 1997. We nee your cooperation with the validation process. In the near future, TSCO(s) may be contacted in reference to the receipt of goods and/or services based on the DO's. Your cooperation is truly appreciated.

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Ms Mary Joseph, poc for Other DoD Agencies, retired this past June. Her replacement is Ms. Raquel Peterkin. Ms Peterkin can be reached on (703) 696-7677. Resources staff will continue to assist with questions concerning your FY00 funding requirements. Please contact one of the Expense Management staff members listed below.

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As DTS-W prepares to implement the WITS 2001 contract, we would like our customers to be aware of the temporary changes made within System Support Division (SSD).

Branch Chiefs, Donna Wilson and Cedric Jackson, as well as Jackie Fowler were selected for the WITS2001 Implementation Team. They will assist with processes, procedures and policies with regard to the DTS-W teaming effort with DSS-W, GSA and the WITS2001 vendor, Verizon.

During the interim, SSD will continue to assist our customers. Dale Douglas and Joyce Warren will provide leadership as SSD Branch Chiefs. To augment our work force, Plans Division will provide us with a "virtual branch" under the leadership of John Ball. Plans, will also provide account manager support for our customers with assistance from Rene'e Peters, Jenny Broadus and Debi Ramos.

We are hoping that this temporary arrangement will meet your needs until the WITS 2001 contract has been implemented for DoD. If you need further information regarding our temporary solution, please contact our SSD Branch Chiefs or the SSD Division Chief, Lois Smith. We welcome your feedback and suggestions.

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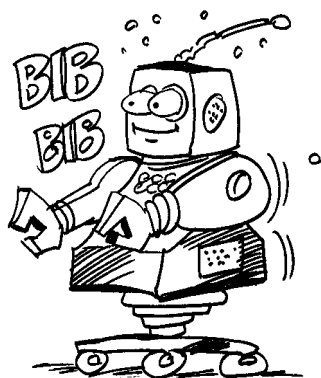
"Welcome to the age of Data Communication"

DTS-W implemented full access for the 4445R via the DTS-W Web page earlier this year. The 4445R is a consolidated and summarized report of charges billed against a BAC's fund cite in a billing cycle. This report is separated by BAC, Fiscal year and Billing period.

Currently, to access your agency's 4445R, an authorized TSCO must enter the DTS-W webpage, http://www.dtsw.army.mil/; Establish a username and password by clicking the "Authorized Users May Request Access Here" link. This will enable you to send an E-mail to our Webmasters requesting access. Once established, return to our website and click the link "DTS-W Online System". The TSCO then enters their logon name and password to gain entrance. Once in, locate the 4445R icon and follow the entry boxes. You can choose from several options; BAC, Fiscal year or Billing cycle, it's your choice. The 4445R is not formatted to fit on standard paper.

 From your browser, save it to your local drive and print it.
For questions regarding access, login name, or password, contact Robe'rt Palmer at (703) 696-8681 or Zanette Aziz at (703)696-8815.

We are very close to having Form 20 access available also!

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Tempo Update! Four New ISDN Sets Added to Contract

With the manufacturer discontinuance of the Lucent 8520 and 8528 ISDN sets, four new ISDN sets have been added to the TEMPO contract. Two are manufactured by Tone Commander, a company located in Washington state. The other two sets are manufactured by Fujitsu and replace their discontinued SRS-1050 and SRS-2100 models.

All sets offer basic set features such as Conference, Transfer, Drop, Hold, Speaker, and Mute fixed buttons, Redial, Message Waiting Indicator, display with Caller ID, calendar and clock, selectable volume and ringing patterns, and handset / headset options. All models are available in black and off-white colors.

Tone Commander

The Tone Commander 6210 and 6220 Voice Only ISDN sets are full-featured, 10 and 20 programmable line/feature sets with S/T or U interfaces. Both models are fully compatible with Lucent, Nortel, and Siemens switches and support all the advanced call management features of traditional ISDN sets. The 6210 and 6220 sets support automatic switch detection, auto-SPID, and parameter downloading for plug and play operation. Additional set features include call logging (answered/unanswered/outgoing), hands-free voice announcing, tilting 2X24 display, two-way speakerphone, and a 36-entry call directory. The base of the set can be reversed for wall-mounting. Configurations used for the 10 and 20-button Lucent 8500 series sets can also be assigned to these Tone Commander sets.

The 6210 is a 10-button set, and the 6220 is a 20-button set. The sets are designed and anufactured in the United States. They support National-ISDN and Lucent 5ESS Custom ISDN without a change in hardware or software. Both sets are available in two hardware configurations, a U-interface and a T-interface. The U-interface includes a built-in NT1 and also has an S/T port that permits connecting another ISDN device to it. Future set features include, an analog port with a terminal adapter module and a data port.

Fujitsu

The SRS-9912 and SRS-9924 Voice Only ISDN sets are available as a T-interface only. Both models offer all basic features. Additionally, the SRS-9912 set has 6 programmable buttons and a one-way speaker. The SRS-9924 set has 17 programmable buttons for call appearances or features plus a two-way speakerphone. The SRS-9924-ABM model is a 9924 set plus an add-on module of 30 buttons that will support up to 47 call appearances, features, or speed call buttons. Two existing configurations created for the 17-button SRS-1050 model can also be used for the SRS-9924 and SRS-9924-ABM. Additionally, two configurations have been developed for the SRS-9912 model.

Other set features include on-hook dialing, call logging (unanswered calls only), hands-free voice announcing (SRS-9924), and a 30-entry call directory. These sets support auto-SPID, manual parameter downloading, and either National-ISDN or Lucent 5ESS Custom ISDN protocols. They do not support data applications or any analog devices. All models can be tilted for improved visibility or wall mounted.
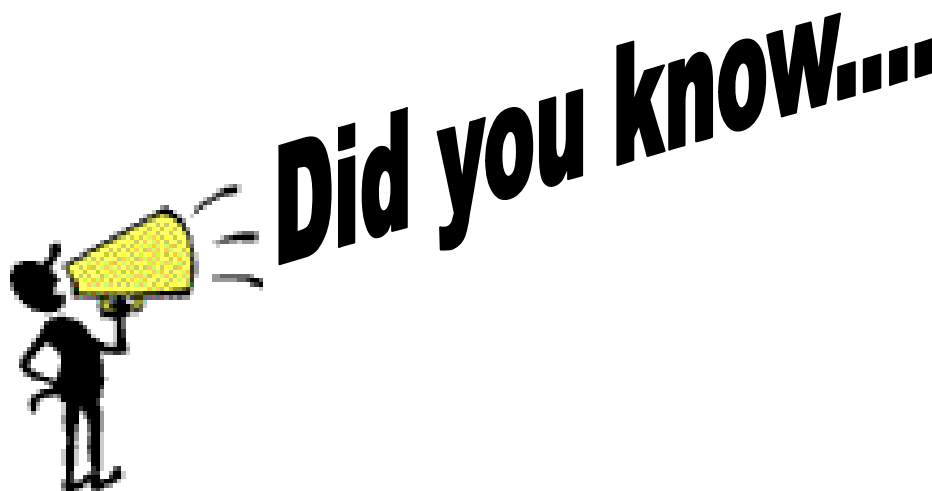
AT&T Wireless to Buy Local Systems for $3.3 Billion

NEW YORK, June 19—AT&T Wireless Group said on Monday it will buy wireless systems in San Francisco, San Diego and Houston markets for $3.3 billion from Vodafone AirTouch Plc, GTE Corp. and PrimeCo PCS.

The deals are expected to help pave the way toward combining GTE's wireless assets into Verizon Wireless, the company created by the merger of Bell Atlantic and Vodafone AirTouch's wireless businesses.

"The agreements are a major step toward eliminating remaining overlapping cellular operations that would be created by the integration of GTE Wireless assets into Verizon Wireless," Bell Atlantic, Vodafone and GTE said in a release.

In San Francisco, AT&T is buying the remaining interest in a wireless partnership from Vodafone AirTouch. In San Diego, it is buying 100 percent of GTE's wireless operations. In Houston, it is buying the system owned by closely-held PrimeCo PCS.

For AT&T Wireless, the tracking stock that reflects AT&T Corp.'s wireless telephone operations, the deal adds 1.3 million customers to the telephone giant's wireless customer base and gives them a foothold in the last three cities in the top 15 U.S. service markets that do not have AT&T wireless services.

Trivia

1. WHO SHOT JR.? SUE ELLEN EWING, KRISTEN SHEPARD, CLIFF BARNES
2. HOW OLD WAS ORSON WELLS WHEN HE MADE "CITIZEN KANE."   26, 31, 36
3. WHO WAS THE ORCHESTRA LEADER ON "THE JACK PARR PROGRAM?"
   DOC SEVERINSON, TOMMY NEWSOME, JOSE MELIS
4. WHAT WAS THE NICKNAME OF DIRK BENEICK ON THE "A-TEAM"?
5. WHAT WAS ALFRED HITCHCOCK FIRST COLOR FILM? ROPE, VERTIGO, REAR WINDOW
6. DICK CLARK DID NOT HOST WHAT TV SHOW? YOU BET YOUR LIFE, $100,000.00 PYRAMID, AMERICAN BANDSTAND
7. WHO PLAYED NURSE HANNAH MILLER ON THE SHORT-LIVED DRAMA "AMAZING GRACE"? MELISSA GRANT, PATTY DUKE, JUDY NORTON-TAYLOR
8. WHO PLAYED LT. COMMANDER QUINTON MCHALE ON "MCHALE'S NAVY"?
9. IN THE STEVEN SPIELBERG FILM "ET THE EXTRA-TERRESTRAIL" WHAT IS E.T.'S OCCUPATION BACK HOME? CAR DEALER, BOTANIST, CHEMIST, BIOLOGIST
10. WHO WON AN OSCAR FOR THE FILM "DRIVING MISS DAISY"?
11. WHAT WAS ONE OF THE MAIN CHARACTERS'S NAME ON "77" SUNSET STRIP; WHAT TYPE CAR DID HE/SHE DRIVE
12. "AMOS & ANDY SHOW" MADE ITS DEBUT IN WHAT YEAR.   1948, 1952, 1951
13. THE "ED SULLIVAN SHOW" PREMIERED IN 1955. WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THE SAME SHOW PRIOR TO 1955?
14. WHAT POPULAR SERIES FEATURE A FATHER/DAUGHTER LAWYER TEAM OPERATING IN ATLANTA.
15. WHO DIRECTED THE 1969 CULT CLASSIC "EASY RIDER"   PETER FONDA, JACK NICHOLSON OR DENNIS HOPPER
16. WHICH CLASSIC WESTERN MOVIE STARRING ALAN LADD WAS TURNED INTO A SHORT LIVED TV SERIES IN 1966? HIGH NOON, SHANE OR HONDO
17. WHICH POPULAR TV STAR OF 1960's STARRED AS THE ENGLISH TEACHER "Mr. NOVAK"? VINCE EDWARDS, JAMES FRANCISCUS OR RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN
18. TOM POSTON, BILL DANA AND LOUIS NYE WERE REGULARS ON WHICH COMEDIAN'S VARIETY SHOW? JACKIE GLEASON, STEVE ALLEN OR MILTON BERLE.
19. WHO IS THE NARRATOR OF THE "SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION"?
20. WHAT IS THE ONLY X-RATED FILM EVER TO HAVE WON AN OSCAR FOR BEST PICTURE? CLOCK WORK ORANGE, MIDNIGHT COWBOY OR SILENCE OF THE LAMBS.

Make that play!